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In re Application of:

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Application No.: 10/014,415

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For: GAS TURBINE ENGINE FUEL/AIR
PREMIXERS WITH VARIABLE GEOMETRY
EXIT AND METHOD FOR CONTROLLING
EXIT VELOCITIES

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Sir:

**RESPONSE TO REQUIREMENT FOR ELECTION OF SPECIES,
IDENTIFICATION OF CLAIMS READING THEREON,
PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT, AND PROPOSED DRAWING CHANGES**

Responsive to the Office Action dated May 15, 2003, Applicant hereby provisionally elects the specie disclosed in Figs. 19A-19C with traverse, to be explained in more detail henceforth.

Applicant hereby states that claims 1, 3-6, 9, 10-12, 13-14, 20-22, 23-26, of the original claims all read on the elected specie. Additionally, newly added claims ^{8 3}27-32 read on the elected specie. Applicant states that claims ^{8 3}27-32 are all generic to the disclosed species of the "variable exit geometry" invention disclosed and claimed herein.

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